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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING	)	
CHIRAL HYDROXYALDEHYDE	)	
COMPOUNDS (as amended)	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE:**

Please set forth the title of the application to read as follows consistent with the title provided on the application and the executed application documents:

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CHIRAL HYDROXYALDEHYDE COMPOUNDS